GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
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MODERN EQUIPMENTS IN OFFICE OF REGISTGRAR OF NEWSPAPERS
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the office of Registrar of Newspapers is equipped with modern systems of equipments;

(b) if so, whether the replies are not given in adequate time to the letters of Public representatives and the applicants who apply for registration of newspapers and other related issues;

(c) if so, the reasons for this casual attitude; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to improve the functioning of this office to respond adequately, properly and without delays ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a), (b), (c) & (d) : The office of the Registrar of Newspapers for India (RNI) is equipped with office equipment like computers, facsimile machines, photocopiers, VSAT connectivity etc.

RNI makes effort to give prompt replies to the letters from the Publicrepresentatives. A grievance officer has also been nominated for this purpose. Need based reply by RNI to letters from applicants regarding registration of newspapers andother related issues are sent in deserving cases, within a period of thirty days from the date of receipt of application.